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In re Application of:)
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. These documents were cited in Application No. 09/248,979 (the "'979 Application"), the parent of the above-referenced divisional application. A copy of U.S. Patent No. 6,081,389 is enclosed herewith. Copies of the remaining documents should be available in the '979 Application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(d).

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLN. NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
09/421,367	October 19, 1999	2874	Pending
08/407,077	September 28, 1999	2873	Pending

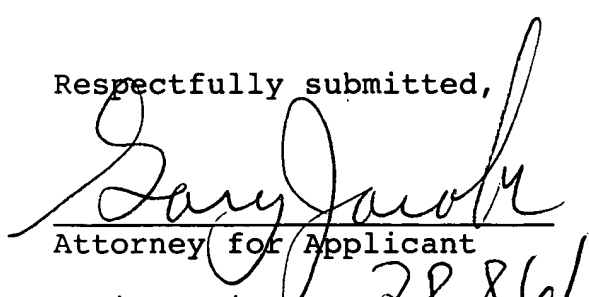
In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of any cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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